

Call for Papers!  
EUROCALL CMC & Teacher Education SIGs Annual Workshop

***Getting the Bigger Picture: Language Teacher Competences in CMC Settings***

The European Association for Computer-Assisted Language Learning (EUROCALL) currently has five Special Interest Groups (SIGs). Given the overlap that sometimes occurs in bigger conferences and in order to avoid redundant events, the Teacher Education SIG and Computer-Mediated Communication (CMC) SIG are co-organising a research workshop in April 2011 (14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>) at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona in Spain.

The combined SIG workshop aims to provide a dialogic space for exploring current research and practice on teacher education and the practice of in-service teachers engaged in developing language competence through computer-mediated environments. The 2 day event, to be held in Barcelona, Spain, will focus on the competences needed for language teaching and learning in CMC settings to promote awareness of language learning, intercultural learning and multiliteracy skills development (to name only a few of the areas of interest).

The workshop organizers seek presentations on research with sound theoretical underpinnings and/or examples of practices that show significant impact on Teacher Education, language teaching or CMC professional development.

**The workshop will take the following structure:**

- Invited presentations on some of the key theoretical approaches to Teacher Education for CMC-based language teaching and learning
- Presentations by participants followed by joint discussions of findings, challenges and their implications for research and practice
- Round table discussions where current and emerging methodological approaches and areas in need of further investigation and development will be explored in greater detail

**Profile of Participants:**

Participants should ideally be involved in research and practice in the field of foreign language teacher education for CMC-based language teaching and learning. It is hoped that this workshop will be of particular interest to researchers and Masters/ Ph.D. students who are working in this area. In order to open up dialogue between those who educate teachers and teachers who work with students every day, the workshop also welcomes in-service teachers interested in sharing their practical CMC experience.

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We welcome proposals for 20 minute paper presentations (plus 10 minutes discussion) focusing on research in CMC teacher education. Proposals may also include action research projects of CMC practices in the classroom. Submissions dealing with practical, theoretical and ethical issues in this area of research will also be considered, especially those dealing with innovative uses of established or leading-edge technologies.

We also encourage submittals via live-streaming through Elluminate. The slots for live-streaming will be limited to 2 and will also be pre-recorded three weeks before the conference (to be used as back-up in case of any technical glitches). Anyone interested in submitting an abstract for live-streaming should indicate this at the end of their

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proposal (not as part of the abstract). Accepted live-stream presenters will be contacted by the organizers to make the necessary arrangements.

Please submit a 300 word abstract (including a title) to the following mail address  
cmc.tchr.ed2011@gmail.com

**Early Bird Submittals 31 January 2011!**

Notifications of acceptance of first call submittals will be sent out by 15 February 2011.

**For further information and to register for the conference, consult:**

[http://jornades.uab.cat/eurocall\\_sigs\\_bcn/](http://jornades.uab.cat/eurocall_sigs_bcn/)

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This event will be organised in collaboration with EUROCALL, Edumedia, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, and GREIP research team (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona).

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